

Alexandria Gazette.

TUESDAY EVENING, FEB. 18, 1908.

Local Matters.

Sun and Tide Table.

Sun rises tomorrow at 6:45 a. m. and sets 5:41. High water at 9:15 a. m. and 9:32.

Weather Probabilities.

For this section increasing cloudiness and warmer tonight, snow or rain in early morning. Wednesday rain and warmer, increase in southerly winds.

TWENTY-SECOND CELEBRATION

A meeting of the George Washington Birthday Association was held last night to perfect plans for the celebration to be held in this city on Saturday next, the Twenty-second of February. The report of a number of committees were read. It was decided that the parade should move at 2:30 p. m.

Acting upon advice to date the Washington Birthday Association announces the following formation of the parade: Platoon Mounted Police commanded by Lieut. James Smith.

Chief Marshal, Maj. Chas. P. Hatfield, Chief of Staff, Orlando H. Kirk. Aides—Lieut. Windsor W. Demaine, Military; Mr. Norman L. Williamson, Secret Organization; Mr. John Leadbeater, Fire Department.

Members of Staff—Alexandria city, commanded by Mr. Worth Hulsh; Members of Staff—Fairfax county, commanded by Capt. Geo. K. Pickett; Members of Staff—Alexandria county, commanded by Mr. James E. Clements. Distinguished Guests, Officers of Association, City Council and other City Officials in carriages.

FIRST DIVISION—MILITARY.

Commanded by Staff Officer, 13th Cavalry, U. S. A.

13 h U. S. Cavalry Band. 2 Battalions of Engineers. 47th Company Coast Artillery. Battery E Field Artillery. Battery D Field Artillery.

Troop E Cavalry. Troop F Cavalry. Troop G Cavalry.

U. S. Marine Band. Battalion of Marines.

8 Companies of Sailors. Battalion of Virginia Militia.

Battalion District of Columbia Militia. 10 Companies of Washington High School Cadets.

5 Companies of Maryland Agricultural College Cadets.

SECOND DIVISION—SECRET ORGANIZATIONS.

Marshal, Mr. James R. Mansfield.

Aides—Vance H. Peele, George Frick, Thos. Henderson and A. J. Butcher.

Red Men. Junior Americans.

THIRD DIVISION—FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Marshal, Lieut. Kenneth W. Ogden.

Aides—J. William May, C. Grady, Edward O. Haynes, John B. Griffin, John Leadbeater, Geo. Norris, Smith Williams, Dr. E. A. Gorman, Capt. T. T. Warren, Capt. A. L. Grim.

Alexandria Fire Wardens and Veteran Fire Association in carriages.

Chief Petty, A. F. D. Friendship Engine, James Hartbower, Marshal.

Relief Hook and Ladder, Joseph De Silva, Marshal.

Columbia Reel, Hose Wagon and Engine, Everett Rogers, Marshal.

Reliance Hose Wagon, and Engine, T. Sidney Douglas, Marshal.

Reserve Reel and Reserve Engine (Champion).

Colonial Beach Engine. Chief Belt, W. F. D.

Fire Marshal Philip W. Nicholson. Combination Hose Wagon.

Metropolitan Steam Engine. Combination Engine, Hose Wagon and Truck.

Aerial Truck. Combination Hose Wagon. Supply Wagon.

A meeting will be held tonight at the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce at 7:30 o'clock. Everyone interested in the parade is urged to attend this meeting.

Many houses have already been adorned with flags and bunting for the celebration and the association requests that the buildings along the route of the parade will be suitably decorated.

An attractive assortment of souvenir postal cards advertising the celebration of Washington's birthday to be held in Alexandria will be placed on sale in all stores.

The treasurer of the Washington Birthday Association would like to again request all those who have not yet settled for their subscriptions to please send the amount.

A committee last night visited Gen. Harrier, of the National Guard of the District of Columbia, and extended an invitation to the guard to be present. The committee was informed that a part of the guard would probably be sent.

Mr. O. H. Kirk, chief of staff, with the members who will compose the staff, held a meeting last night and perfected arrangements for the parade.

Mr. Kenneth W. Ogden, chairman of the firemen's division, with a delegation from the association called upon Chief Belt, in Washington, and was assured that eight pieces of the fire department of Washington, with seventy-five members of the department, will be in this parade. The combination chemical hose and truck wagon will be among the apparatus sent. It will give an exhibition at King and Alfred streets.

Members of the staff of Major Hatfield, grand marshal, will be as follows: Representing this city, Worth Hulsh; Fairfax county, George K. Pickett; Alexandria county, James E. Clements. Windsor W. Demaine will be an aide to the chief marshal, and Norman L. Williamson an aide to the secret organization division. R. M. Latham will probably be an aide in the fire department division.

Arrangements have been made for serving the military with refreshments in the east wing of the market building. The visiting firemen will be entertained at the various fire engine houses. Members representing the various secret organizations will be entertained by the representatives of the local orders at their halls.

The visiting militia will store their arms in the police court room.

There will be several bands of music, one battalion of engineers, one company of coast artillery, three batteries of artillery, three troops of cavalry, three companies of sailors, one battalion of marines, the Warrenton Rifles, Culpeper Minute Men, Alexandria Light Infantry, company of Junior Order of United Americans from this city, county, Fairfax, Prince William, and Fauquier, and Red Men, of Washington.

ELKS' CARNIVAL.

Armory Hall Brilliantly Illuminated and Comfortably Filled Last Night.

A prettier night could not have been selected than the one ushering in the opening of the carnival given by Alexandria Lodge, No. 758, B. P. O. E. The atmosphere was crisp and the sky exhibited the mighty handiwork of the Exalted Ruler of the Universe. The moon showed forth its glory to the happy maidens who tripped joyfully to the armory about 8 o'clock. With minds anticipating a lovely week they entered one of the neatest decorated buildings ever seen in this city. It was indeed a pleasure to be present on this occasion. Charming young ladies with cheeks already aglow with expectation of a busy week, neatly attired in all the colors of the rainbow, were awaiting orders from those in charge of the booths to begin gathering in the shakels. The boothholders vied with their assistants in receiving congratulations, which obtained during the first hour. The magnificent arrangement was admired by all and the ingenious idea brought out in the reproduction of Mount Vernon by Mr. A. D. Montier was gazed on in amazement. The entire hall presents a picture, the history of which will thrill the heart and appeal to the sentiment of generations yet unborn. Owing to indisposition Mayor Palf could not be present to formally open the carnival, but a gentle reminder that the mid-winter festivities had begun came to one in the shape of "digging in your jeans." The committee from start to finish were busy managing the details and the bright-faced ladies saw to it that not a fellow guilty of having a dollar escaped. Space will not permit a minute description of each booth nor the mention of each young lady's name attached thereto, but from observation they are determined to crown Alexandria Lodge's efforts with success.

On each of the booths are many handsome donations received from all sections of the country, which will be raffled off. One, a costly pair of gentlemen's gunning boots, donated by the Hess Shoe Co. through Mr. Charles B. Marshall, is at the fancy booth, the success of which is in the hands of Mrs. Jacob Brill and a number of charming assistants.

Tonight a number of organizations are expected and the Metropolitan Quartette, of Washington, will sing from 9 till 10 o'clock.

Dancing will begin tonight at 10:30. Tomorrow night Mr. Forrest Birrell, Alexandria's well-known soloist, will entertain those who attend.

RETAIL MERCHANTS.

Last night a meeting of the Retail Merchants' Protective Association was held at their hall. The officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: President, W. P. Graves; first vice president, J. D. Matter; second vice president, W. H. Peck; third vice president, F. M. Adams; treasurer, F. C. Matthews; treasurer, B. B. Smith; sergeant-at-arms, A. Bowie; trustees, C. R. Yates, O. O. Pulman, J. E. Merchant, M. E. Parker and Julius Wolf.

After a social meeting of the association and their invited guests all proceeded to the Opera House Cafe where a sumptuous banquet was furnished by Mr. L. Brill. The dining room was handsomely decorated with flags and electric lights and the menu was everything one could wish.

Mr. O. O. Pulman on behalf of the association presented the president, Mr. W. P. Graves, with a handsome cane. Mr. Graves made a speech thanking the members for their token of appreciation. He then spoke of the workings and good the association was doing the business men of the city, after which he called upon Mr. Weil, past president, to act as toastmaster for the evening.

Speeches were made by a number of the members and invited guests, there being about 30 or 40 present.

DEATH OF MRS. BROADUS.

Mrs. Mary C. Broadus, for many years a resident of Alexandria, died this morning at 10:45 o'clock at her residence, 601 Queen street after a brief illness. She was the widow of the late James M. Broadus, formerly General Ticket Agent of the old Virginia Midland Railroad. She was born December 29, 1823 in the county of Madison, Virginia and removed to Alexandria from Culpeper county, about 1855, where she continued to live, with the exception of the period of the civil war. Mrs. Broadus was widely known and greatly esteemed. Simple services will be held at 5 o'clock Wednesday at her late residence and the remains will be taken to Culpeper on the morning train Thursday.

ESCAPED FROM POLICEMAN.

About half-past one o'clock this morning Officer Rawlett discovered a strange negro in the alley in the rear of the residence of Mr. Frank King, on Prince street, near Alfred. The officer took the trespasser in custody and started toward the station house with him. Upon reaching the corner of King and Royal streets the darkey broke away from the officer and ran south on Royal street. Mr. Rawlett discharged four shots at the fugitive, but the latter succeeded in making his escape.

Jr. O. U. A.

At a meeting of Belle Haven Council, Jr. O. U. A., last night, business of importance to the order was transacted, also further arrangements were made for participating in the parade on Saturday next. Several visitors from Alexandria Council, No. 33, were present and a number of speeches were made and heartily enjoyed, especially that of Mr. J. H. Trimmer. At a late hour the meeting adjourned.

BAZAAR.

A musical and bazaar will be held at Lee Camp Hall on Friday evening next at 7:30 o'clock, for the benefit of the Braddock Heights Episcopal Mission. After the vocal and instrumental music a sale of fancy articles will be held.

Some broken sizes in Hoss shoes \$5 and \$6 grades, \$2.50 get them, if you are quick. Marshall, 425 King street.

MIDGETS' CONFESSION.

Reference was made last Friday to a confession said to have been made by the colored man, George Midgets, hanged for murder in this city that day.

The murder was committed near Norristown, Pa., early on the morning of October 16, 1906, although Midgets seems to have thought it occurred in September of that year. Rev. Alexander Truitt, pastor of the Alford street Baptist Church, at Midgets' request sent the following letter, written by the condemned man to the Chief of Police of Norristown, together with the details described by Midgets:

Alexandria, Va., Jan. 15, 1908.

To the public: I, George Midgets, request Rev. Alexander Truitt, my spiritual adviser, to get certain information for me, as I am not certain whether I committed the crime to which I refer, as I did not see the party I shot.

I want to know for sure, so I could confess it to him and repent of it before I die, as some one else may be made to suffer for what I have done, as I am to suffer for what some one else has done.

I have related the details of the matter to him, and I give him permission to make it known thirty days after my death. I have enough on me for the present. I am innocent of the crime in Alexandria, but guilty of the Norristown crime.

GEORGE MIDGETS.

Rev. Alex. Truitt communicated with the Chief of Police of Norristown and received the following reply:

Norristown, Pa., Jan. 11, 1908.

Mr. Alexander Truitt, 710 Princess St., Alexandria, Va.

Dear Sir: His Honor the Mayor has just handed me your letter dated January 3d. He has been away from home since the first of the year, and has just returned, and the letter was lying on his desk; hence the delay. I will say that there was a murder committed here in a gypsy camp on the morning of October 16, 1906, instead of September 16th. It was in the morning about 2 o'clock. The man murdered was a member of the Stanley band of gypsies. The murdered man's name was Frank Smith. He was shot in the neck by two colored men. One was of copper color, weight 175 to 180 pounds; wall-eyed or a defect in his eyes. The other was of lighter color, weight 150 pounds, height 5 feet 7 inches. These men have never been captured. I would be glad to hear from you again. Thanking you for an early reply, I remain yours truly,

WM. H. RODENBAUGH, Chief of Police.

Midgets' spiritual adviser subsequently received another letter from the Chief of Police which was as follows:

Norristown, Pa., Jan. 17, 1908.

Mr. Alexander Truitt, Alexandria, Va.

Dear Sir—About a week ago his honor the Mayor handed me a letter from you making inquiry about a murder committed here about September 15th, 1906, in a gypsy camp near here. I answered your letter at once, stating that there was a murder committed near here at a gypsy camp, but instead of it being September 15th it was October 16th, or rather on the morning of October 16th about 2 a. m. A member of the gypsies named Frank Smith was shot and killed, and robbed of about \$100 by a colored man. In fact two colored men entered the camp. One was a copper colored man, weight 175 pounds, height 5 feet 8 or 9 inches, wall-eyed or showing the whites of his eyes; he wore at that time a light slouch hat pulled down over his eyes. The other was of lighter color, weight 150 pounds, height about 5 feet 7 or 8 inches. This party has never been apprehended, and the county commissioners here offer a reward of \$250 for the party. I would be very much pleased to hear from you in relation to this matter at your earliest convenience. The reward still holds good. Hoping for an early reply I remain,

WM. H. RODENBAUGH, Chief of Police.

A number of chapters of Midgets' life were published in the Gazette about a month ago when Governor Swanson reported him until last Friday. Those, with the above, it is believed, embrace about all he wrote or related during his confinement in Alexandria.

POLICE COURT.

[Justice H. B. Eaton presiding.]

The following cases were disposed of this morning:

John Washington and Richard Dorsey, both colored, charged with disorderly conduct and fighting, forfeited their collaterals by failing to appear.

Thomas Buckley and Wm. Allen, two boys, charged with a similar offense, forfeited their collateral by failing to appear.

Josephine Corbin and Bertha Williams, both colored, charged with disorderly conduct and fighting, were fined \$5 each. Frank Corbin, arrested in connection with the case, was dismissed.

Two white men, charged with gambling, had their case continued.

Two white men were fined \$10 each for fighting at a special session of the court last night. Another man, who had been arrested as a party to the affair, was dismissed.

ROBBERY.

Some time between 3 and 5 o'clock this morning thieves entered Mr. George Floch's store, corner of Oronoco and Pitt streets, and stole therefrom \$40 in money and two pistols. The thieves overlooked a bag containing \$10. They either entered the store through a window or a door of which they are supposed to have had a key.

STEAMERS LIBELED.

John P. Agnew, a coal dealer, of Washington, yesterday sued out libels against four steamers of the Washington and Potomac Steamboat Company, for which a receiver has been appointed, alleging in his bill that there is due him for coal \$19,831. It is stated that the suit will not affect the sailings of the vessels.

ANOTHER COLD NIGHT.

The weather was cold again last night, and the mercury at an early hour this morning stood at 20°.

The ice in the river has about disappeared, and the Baltimore and river steamers are again running.

Kenney's Laxative Cough Syrup acts gently but promptly on the bowels. It stops the cough by soothing the throat and lung irritation. Sold by W. F. Creighton & Co.

Broken lots of Ladies' Fine Shoes at about half price. J. A. Marshall & Bro. 422 King street.

WOOL FLAGS.

About a dozen all-wool flags, 44 by 7 and 44 by 8. Price \$4 and \$4.50. Will close out at one-half—\$2 and \$2.25. ROSEFELDS, feb 17

HEROIC YOUTH.

The Seattle Daily Times of a recent date said:

"In a vain attempt to save the life of Harry Hughes, pursuer of the steamboat Dorothy, Monday afternoon, Samuel K. Shay, a well-known lumber dealer with offices in the Lowland Building, plunged again and again into the freezing waters of Lake Washington until, his strength spent, he was dragged by force into the lifeboat where he lay gasping with his exertions and chilled to the marrow. Clothed in heavy garments to withstand the wintry air, Shay took no thought of the danger he was running from cramps or being dragged under by the weight of his clothes, but dived several times in the spot where Hughes had disappeared, swimming beneath the surface and doing everything in his power to save the unfortunate young man."

[The heroic young man is a son of Mr. Aurelius O. Shay and a grandson of the late S. King Shay, of Alexandria.]

LECTURE.

Mr. Angus Crawford, of the Episcopal High School last night delivered a very interesting and instructive lecture before the Cameron Club and a number of their friends at Christ Church Parish Hall. His subject was the "Renascence of Art." The lecture was accompanied by stereopticon views and was greatly enjoyed by all present.

FUNERAL.

The funeral of the late Edwin M. Reed, took place from the residence, 118 south Alfred street this afternoon. The services were conducted by Rev. L. F. Kelly, assistant rector of St. Mary's Church. The pallbearers were Messrs. H. K. Field, Kemp Lambeth, C. L. Pickett, C. B. Marshall, P. T. Harrington and R. L. Stutz.

MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Carlo Apartment House Co. was held in this city yesterday at which the following directors were elected: T. F. Schneider, M. O. Schneider, C. B. Riehm, W. A. Esterday and A. M. Schneider.

OLD DOMINION BOAT CLUB.

A meeting of the Old Dominion Boat Club was held last night when the captain, Mr. James S. Douglas, was authorized to employ a suitable person to coach the crews of the club.

PERSONAL.

Officer Ferguson is recovering from a severe attack of grip.

Miss Madge V. McCraw has returned to this city after a visit to relatives in Richmond.

For Rheumatic Sufferers.

The quick relief from pain afforded by applying Chamberlain's Pain Balm makes it a favorite with sufferers from rheumatism, sciatica, lame back, lumbago, and deep seated and muscular pains. For sale by W. F. Creighton and Richard Gibson.

Money can be saved by buying your Shoes at Marshall's, 422 King street.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

The Modern Protective Association has paid to the heirs of the late Policeman W. E. Lyles the sum of \$1,000. The deceased had recently been unable to meet all the assessments of the association, but the amount of his insurance was paid notwithstanding.

John H. Gray, colored, aged 34 years, a former resident of this city, died in Washington Sunday. The remains will be brought here and interred in Union cemetery tomorrow afternoon. The services will be held in Roberts Chapel, on south Washington street.

Charles Wood, senior partner of the real estate firm of Wood, Harmon & Co., of Washington, died at his residence, in that city, yesterday afternoon, after a prolonged illness. He was president of the Emerson Pump Company of this city.

Several cars of a freight train were derailed yesterday morning while between Charlottesville and Monroe.

The puggy Martha Avery and the tug Walter F. Keane are on the ways at the shipyard for repairs.

Harriet Terrell, colored, aged 52 years, died near Bailey's cross roads yesterday morning.

CHINA, GLASS AND HOUSE FURNISHING GOODS.

FLAGS

We have a full line of FLAGS and decorations suitable for the 22nd of February.

Standing Wool Bunting Flags, Silk Flags, Confetti, &c.

Fine Dinner Ware REDUCED.

112-piece Haviland Dinner Set, former price \$60, reduced to \$40.

160-piece Haviland Dinner Set, dainty decorations, price \$27.50, reduced to \$22.50.

100-piece Carlsbad Dinner Sets, former price \$18, reduced to \$14.98.

56-piece Carlsbad Tea Sets, worth \$7.50, reduced to \$5.98.

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All varieties of Fine Imported and Domestic

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American Dairy English Dairy Roquefort, Pineapple, Edam, Royal, Parmesan, Camembert, Imported Swiss, Etc.

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Each part is accurately weighed and mixed in proper proportion. In addition to our goods being freshly roasted daily, we blend, aiming and reaching

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The Greatest Reduction Sale of Clothing Ever Inaugurated in This City is now in progress.

MEN'S AND BOYS' SUITS AND OVERCOATS AT YOUR MERCY.

MARCH 1st we move to No. 612 King Street and will open with an entire new stock of up-to-date clothing for man and boy.

Men's and Boys' Overcoats, Suits and Trousers

Regardless of cost. A glance at the figures below will convince you.

All \$7.50, \$8 and \$9 Overcoats and Suits, at \$5.50.

All \$10 and \$12 Overcoats and Suits, at \$7.50.

All \$14, \$15 and \$18 Overcoats and Suits, at \$12.

All Men's and Boys' Trousers Reduced 33 1-3 per cent.

Nothing in this stock will be carried to our new store, and now is the time to take advantage of this sacrifice sale.

R. LEE FIELD, 304 King Street.

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DIRECTORS:

Edward L. Dalgnerfield. M. A. Ahern. J. C. Smoot. Worth Hulsh. J. W. Roberts. Urban S. Lambert. Carroll Pierce.

STATEMENT.

Citizens' National Bank of Alexandria, Va.,

DECEMBER 3, 1907.

RESOURCES. LIABILITIES.

Loans \$569,556.85 Capital \$100,000.00

U. S. Bonds, to secure circulation, 100,000.00 Surplus 50,000.00

Bonds, to secure U. S. Deposit 53,000.00 Undivided Profits 56,252.57

Other Bonds and Stocks 28,111.50 Circulation 98,000.00

Banking House & Real Estate 52,856.97 Deposits 586,818.29

Cash 43,921.72 Due from Banks & Reserve Agents 94,823.76

\$941,970.80 \$941,970.80

Accounts of Individuals, Firms and Corporations Invited.

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GOLD CUFF BUTTONS

We have them in every finish that is made and our selection of designs is an appeal to every fancy. It is simply a matter of selecting the pair you like the best.